Community Compass
HUD Technical Assistance Overview

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• **Understanding Technical Assistance (TA):** Understand the purpose of results-oriented holistic TA

• **Key Components of TA**
  Understand the programs, funding, eligible activities, and stakeholders that are integral to TA

• **Preparing for the Community Compass TA NOFO**
  Learn what you can do now to get ready for the next Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

• **High Performing TA Providers**
  Review characteristics of high-performing TA Providers

• **Available Resources**
  Links included
Understanding TA
Introduction to Community Compass TA

All HUD Grantees

Cross-Cutting

Demand-Response

Two-Year NOFO
What is Technical Assistance?

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
Enables HUD's customers to overcome a lack of specific skills or knowledge by:
• Offering knowledge, skills, tools, and systems to address gaps and navigate complex challenges
• Supporting independent startup, implementation, and administration of programs

CAPACITY BUILDING
Increases the ability of customers to organize and independently undertake or expand affordable housing, community development, and economic development programs under one or more HUD programs going forward
TA Dos and Don’ts

TA does:

• Directly benefit HUD grantees and eligible customers
• Build capacity, knowledge, and skills of grantees
• Address root cause issues
• Foster innovation

TA does not:

• Expand HUD capacity or directly benefit HUD
• Do the work of the grantee
## Capacity Building

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Key Components of Community Compass TA
## Typical TA Programs

- Departmental
- McKinney-Vento
- National Homeless Data Analysis Project
- HOME Recaptures
- Public Housing Administrative Receivership and Recovery
- NAHASDA
- Native American Housing and Community Development
- Fair Housing Training Academy
- Distressed Cities

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOCUS AREAS

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TA Funding Breakdown

- Departmental - CPD
- Departmental - PIH
- Departmental - Housing
- Departmental - Cross-Cutting
- CARES Act - ESG
- CARES Act - CDBG
- McKinney-Vento
- National Homeless Data Analysis Project
- Youth Homelessness
- PHA Receivership
- NAHASDA TA
- National Fair Housing Training Academy
Community Compass
Eligible Activities

• Needs Assessments
• Direct TA and Capacity Building Engagements
• Tools and Products
• Self-Directed and Group Learning (training)
• Knowledge Management
• Data Analysis, Reporting, and Performance Measurement
• NAHASDA Allocation Formula Administration and Negotiated Rulemaking and Consultation Support
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<th>TA DIVISION</th>
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| COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT OFFICER (CAO) | • HUD signatory on cooperative agreement  
• Legal authority to execute, administer, coordinate, and/or close out assistance agreements on behalf of HUD |
| GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE (GTR) | • Liaison between the award recipient and the CAO  
• Oversees terms of cooperative agreement;  
• Approve all actions under the agreement (unless otherwise reserved for CAO) |
| PROGRAM OFFICE STAFF | • Assist with determining TA needs  
• Scopes and assigns TA  
• Monitor day-to-day TA progress  
• Receive and review deliverables |
| **TA PROVIDER (YOU!!)** | Direct/Prime recipient of funding award from HUD  
| | • Subrecipient, contractor, consultant  
| | • Plans and Delivers TA to HUD customers |
| **BENEFICIARY** | HUD customers, as defined by the NOFO  
| | • State and local grantees  
| | • Public Housing Authorities  
| | • Owners of HUD-assisted housing  
| | • Continuums of Care (CoCs)  
| | • Non-profit grantees,  
| | • Housing counseling agencies  
| | • Tribal organizations  
| | • FHA-approved multi-family lenders, etc. |
Preparing for the NOFO
Preparing for the next CCTA NOFO

PRIOR TO PUBLICATION:

1. Review prior notices of funding, webinars and FAQs. DO NOT begin an application response until the latest NOFO is published.

2. Begin to identify your organization's areas of expertise and align with the NOFO Programs/Topics (Appendix I).

3. Familiarize yourself with the Types of Eligible TA and determine your strengths
   • Setup a HUD Exchange account to peruse existing TA tools and products. [https://www.hudexchange.info/](https://www.hudexchange.info/)
Preparing for the next CCTA NOFO

Prior to Publication:

4. Start to assemble your team—staff, contractors, consultants and subrecipients. Secure early commitment. Begin to document their experience (see PRA-approved Experience form).

5. Make sure you have a financial management system that is 2CFR200.302 compliant.

6. Understand the benefits of a Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) vs. de minimis.
High Performing TA Providers
Depth of Expertise

Effective technical assistance providers are experts in programs through hands-on experience, direct administration, and tenure.

- Public Housing
- Homelessness
- Domestic Violence
- Tribes
- Multifamily
- Fair Housing
- Environment & Energy
- Lead Hazard
- Data management
- Rural housing
- Transit oriented development
- Capital and finance
Effective technical assistance providers have a deep bench of staff with relevant expertise and a network of contractors to meet complex requirements.
Effective technical assistance providers know how to train. They understand audience learning objectives and deliver training that builds capacity.
Strategic Thinking

Effective technical assistance providers think strategically by determining needs and capacity gaps across HUD programs, setting long-term goals, and devising products to meet goals.
High Performers - Management

Project Management

Effective technical assistance providers execute a scope of work on time and on budget.

1,326 approved work plans ending by December, 2023.

Approximately 1,050,000 hours of staff time.

Approximately $130,000,000 in project budget.
High Performers - Management

Accounting and Controls

Effective technical assistance providers build trust through effective financial management and meeting federal regulatory requirements.

2 CFR PART 200.302
Effective technical assistance providers constantly evaluate their performance by tracking and reporting outputs, outcomes, and impact.
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